

**United States Patent Application**  
**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.63**

As a below named inventor I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **SELECTIVE POTTING FOR CONTROLLED FAILURE AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES EMPLOYING THE SAME**

The specification of which

- a. ☐ is attached hereto.  
b. ☒ was filed on December 7, 2001 as Application Serial No. 10/013,943, which I have reviewed and for which I solicit a United States patent.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 (attached hereto).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on the basis of which priority is claimed:

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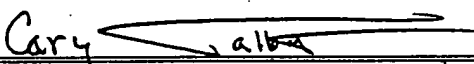
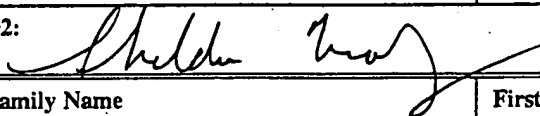

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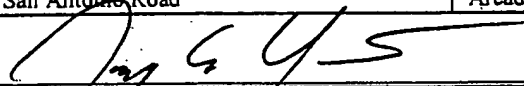
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(a) A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is canceled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. Information material to the patentability of a claim that is canceled or withdrawn from consideration need not be submitted if the information is not material to the patentability of any claim remaining under consideration in the application. There is no duty to submit information which is not material to the patentability of any existing claim. The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection with which fraud on the Office was practiced or attempted or the duty of disclosure was violated through bad faith or intentional misconduct. The Office encourages applicants to carefully examine:

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(2) the closest information over which individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application believe any pending claim patentably defines, to make sure that any material information contained therein is disclosed to the Office.

(b) Under this section, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made of record in the application, and

(1) It establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of a claim;  
or

(2) It refutes, or is inconsistent with, a position the applicant takes in:

(i) Opposing an argument of unpatentability relied on by the Office, or

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- (1) Each inventor named in the application:
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- (3) JAMES D. CAUSEY III
- (4) JAY A. YONEMOTO

In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to

(4) Insert name of Assignee

(4) MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC.

(5) Insert state of  
Incorporation of Assignee

(5) Delaware

(6) Insert address of  
Assignee

(6) of 18000 Devonshire Street, Northridge, CA 91325-1219  
(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire worldwide right, title and interest in the invention known as

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(7) SELECTIVE POTTING FOR CONTROLLED FAILURE AND  
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for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of America

(8) Insert Date of Signing of  
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(8) on March 8, 14, 19, 22, & 26, 2002

1) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with an application in any country of the world and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

2) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation or division thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

3) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

4) The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent to the Assignee.

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6) The undersigned hereby appoints:

Paul H. Kovelman, Reg. No. 35,228  
Cary Talbot, Reg. No. 47,123  
Richard K. Yoon, Reg. No. 42,247

and all of the firm of Foley & Lardner:

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Date: 3/14/02 Signature of Inventor

Cary D. Talbot  
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County of Los Angeles

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WITNESS, my hand and official seal.

Christine Pineiro

Notary Public



Date: 3/8/02 Signature of Inventor Sheldon Moberg  
Sheldon B. Moberg

State of California

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On this March 8, 2002, before me, Christine Pineiro, a Notary Public, personally appeared Sheldon B. Moberg, personally known to me (~~or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledge to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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The undersigned, MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC., a Delaware corporation, hereby declares that it has accepted the foregoing assignment.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 20 day of March, 2002.

ASSIGNEE:

MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC.,  
a Delaware Corporation

By: 

Name: Eric P. Geismar

Title: Vice President and Senior Counsel

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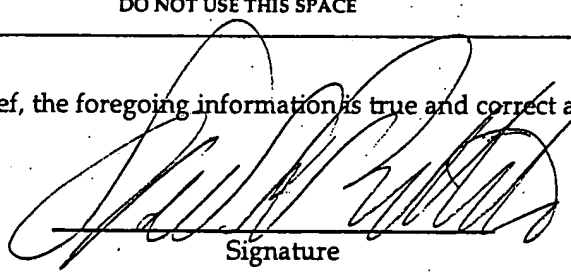
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